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## For: DEVICE FOR CONNECTING BUILDING BOARDS, ESPECIALLY FLOOR PANELS

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Amendment Randolph Building 401 Dulany Street Alexandria VA 22314

Sir :

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application, the Examiner

is respectfully requested to amend the claims as follows:

Amendment to the claims begins on page 2;

Remarks begin on page 5.